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Reference ID	Created	Released	Classification	Origin
08CARACAS264	2008-02-28 18:12	2011-08-30 01:44	CONFIDENTIAL	Embassy Caracas

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[1](#). (C) SUMMARY: Norways StatoilHydro received a far more lucrative compensation package for its lost equity in the former Sincor strategic ass
----- MEDIA REPORTS ARE INCORRECT ON STATOILs COMPENSATION -----

[12](#). (C) Petroleum Attache (Petatt) met with Statoil Venezuela President Thore Kristiansen (strictly protect throughout) on February 26 to discu

[13](#). (C) Kristiansen stated Statoil was very pleased with the compensation that it received for its lost equity and added that it was significar
----- BRV AND PDVSA SEND POSITIVE SIGNALS TO THE PRIVATE SECTOR -----

[14](#). (C) When asked about Statoils views on the investment climate in Venezuela, Kristiansen stated they were generally positive. He pointed to
[15](#). (C) Kristiansen added that PDVSA has stated that it will begin assigning blocks in the Faja for development in the next few weeks. He then

[16](#). (C) Kristiansen stated Statoil is also optimistic due to PDVSAs general approach to the Petrocedeno maintenance shutdown. Petrocedenos upgr

[17](#). (C) The final piece of evidence that justifies Statoils optimism is the recent performance of senior PDVSA executives at an extra heavy oil
----- NOT ALL SWEETNESS AND LIGHT -----

[18](#). (C) When Petatt opined that the BRV was sending mixed signals and pointed to President Chavez recent suggestion for a windfall profits tax,

[19](#). (C) Kristiansen described the proposal as ridiculous and claimed the BRVs current take, based on PDVSAs equity stake in the joint ventures
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[110](#). (C) Rumors have been swirling for months that [Text removed by Aftenposten]will be retiring shortly. Several Embassy contacts have specule

[111](#). (C) Kristiansen, who has an excellent working relationship with [Text removed by Aftenposten], told Petatt that he has raised the rumors c

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